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Bethany,

Thank you for your message. There is no stay in this litigation at this time.

With respect to our authority, you are seeking confidential communications subject to both attorney-client privilege and governmental deliberative process privilege, at a minimum. We will not be providing that internal information.

We wish you well in your next endeavor.

Sincerely,

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